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October 1955

SECOND ANNUAL REFORMATION DAY MASS MEETING

Rev. D. Walters Will Be The Speaker

The Second Annual Reformation Day Mass Meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 26, 7:45 P.M. at the Hull Community Hall. Rev. Dick Walters, President of the Reformed Bible Institute of Grand Rapids, Michigan, will be the speaker. He will speak on the subject: "SONS OF THE REFORMATION."

A very interesting program is being planned. The Western Christian High School Band will provide a half-hour band music from 7:30 to 7:45. The Midwest Christian Junior College Choir will appear publicly for the first time.

In these days of secularization and spiritual indifference, when the conflict between the Kingdom of God and the Kingdom of Satan is becoming ever-increasingly more intense, it is of utmost importance to keep alive the glorious heritage of the Reformation and the inspiration it provides. Let us never forget the witness of him who said—while surrounded by those who sought his life—"Here I stand, so help me God, I can do no other."

The Hull Community Hall holds about two-thousand people. All the people from all the churches are invited to attend. We would like to see a large contingent of our young people present. If we are going to enrich the present generation with the heritage of the past, our young people should be urged to attend our Reformation Day programs. Let us fill this large auditorium to capacity. We had a wonderful crowd last year. Let us even do better this year.

This is the Second Annual Reformation Day Mass Meeting sponsored by the Midwest Christian Junior College. It is our purpose to make this an annual event indefinitely. An offering for the Junior College will be received. The entire program should be finished at 9 o'clock and will provide ample time for those from long distances to return to their homes the same evening.

Program

1. Western Christian High School Band—7:15-7:45
2. Scripture Reading and Prayer—Rev. J. Hulst, Ireton
3. Junior College Choir—Director: Prof. N. Van Til
4. Audience, Reformation Day Songs
5. Offering
6. Rev. D. Walter—"Sons Of The Reformation"
7. Prayer—Rev. Andrew Baker
8. Doxology



The Student Body—1955-56

The names of the students are from left to right as follows:

First row: Esther Runia, Clarice Geels, Ann Noteboom, Arlene Verbrugge, Prof. N. Van Til, Rev. C. Van Schouwen, Prof. D. Ribbens, Dr. P. Van Beek, Prof. L. Haan, Carol Schemper, Constance Gesink, Donna Rietema, Bernice Geurkink. Second row: Helen Vander Lugt, Elda Mae Kooima, Cynthia Vaandrager, Dona Zimmer, Juna Kusters, Dolores Van

Otterloo, Hester Van Otterloo, Elizabeth Van Tol, Barbara Wassenaar, Louisa Kooiker, Mary Bouma, Gertrude Veldman, Joan Kemink, Joyce Kemink. Third row: Milton Vander Berg, Herman Nibbelink, Sebert Kooima, Gary Hofland, Maynard Rozeboom, Arlin Meyer, Gerald De Stigter, Harold Mulder, John Wisink, Leroy De Vries, Albertus De Vries, Herman Van Donge. Absent from the picture is Arnold Davelaar.

THE JUNIOR COLLEGE BEGINS GLORIOUSLY

The Midwest Christian Junior College opened its doors September 13 and 14 for registration. Thirty-five students, representing twenty-two churches enrolled. During the course of the summer, a number of others intending to enroll at our school, succumbed to the pressure of teacher-shortage in the midwest and accepted teaching positions in our Christian Schools. We are very happy with our enrollment. We have a wonderful group of young people. A very fine spirit of Christian loyalty and devotion pervades the school.

The day of September 15 was opened with a general convocation. Rev. B. J. Haan, representing the board, had charge of this service. He welcomed the students to our new college and introduced the faculty. Rev. C. an Schouwen had devotions and spoke about the rela-

tionship between Christianity and education. Professor Leonard Haan, chairman of the faculty, spoke about the ideals of our Christian Junior College. Professor N. Van Til led the song service. Thus our first chapel service was held.

Several meetings of the faculty were held before opening day. The Board decided not to run the school under the supervision of a single individual, who would serve as president or principal; but rather to make the entire faculty, as a unit, responsible for the administration of the school. Consequently, the faculty has organized itself into officers and committees. Professor Leonard Haan was chosen as chairman of the faculty and Rev. C. Van Schouwen as secretary. It is already evident that this was a very wise decision on the part of the Board. The professors are applying themselves diligently, are fully conscious of the great responsibility resting upon them, and the spirit of unity and

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Dedication Address of

Dr. Wm. Spoelhof

(Some present at our dedicatory service felt that a far greater benefit could be rendered to the cause of Christian Education through the publication of Dr. Spoelhof's address. Dr. Spoelhof kindly consented to give us a copy of his address and we will publish it in two installments.)
—C.V.S.

DEDICATION TO A CONFESSION A COMMON CONCERN A CAUSE

We, here gathered, stand poised at a great and significant moment. More consciously than ever before, we feel ourselves part of history. The wide concourse of events combine to form here and now an historic moment, the importance of which all of us sense, but which none of us can really measure. Into this moment are gathered countless hours of planning, days of strenuous toil, many hopes fulfilled, and even cruel disappointments and bitter disillusionments turned to hopeful expectations—all this inlaid with devotion, dedication, and divine benediction.

A service of dedication is a symbolic act. Its meaning extends far beyond the moment and the place, and it far outreaches the limitations imposed upon material buildings and grounds. We are here engaged in a service of dedication and to consecration to a high and lofty ideal. We are here involved not merely with building, but with belief; not only with a campus, but with a confession, a common concern, and a cause.

I wish to comment briefly on these three elements: the confession, the concern, and the cause.

I. CONFESSION

I said that our service of dedication was one of dedication to a confession. It is the confession which the Apostle Paul couched in these memorable words: "For other foundation can no man lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ." Christ, the one and only adequate foundation! We confess this by word and deed in our act of dedication.

Paul penned these words, pinpointing a concrete situation in the Church of Corinth. The church which he founded as a wise master-builder had lost her pristine purity. The church at Corinth had left its foundation. No longer did she recognize that, of God, Christ was made unto us wisdom, righteousness, sanctification, and redemption.

The proclamation of Paul, immediate in its application, bears, however, a relevancy not only, but expresses an essential truth which far outlives one single church in a solitary situation. The confession of Paul is one which belongs to all the ages, wherever the Church of Christ exists. And, overreaching the organic structure of the Church, it undergirds any life, movement, activity, or institution which bears the beau-

tiful name, "Christian." Therefore, on this momentous occasion, as we usher into existence the Midwest Christian Junior College, we dedicate ourselves to the confession that "other foundation can no man lay than that which is laid, which is Christ Jesus." That confession can be, it must be, the only foundation of our newest Christian education enterprise.

This confession—Christ, the only foundation—applicable to every Christian enterprise, is particularly apropos to Christian education. This is attested by the life and words of Christ himself. Of his own life and words, Christ said: "If ye abide in my words (the revelation of the Father), then ye shall know the truth." It is this Truth, the revelation of God in Holy Writ and in nature, which is the sum and substance of all our education.

It is of Christ and his work that the Apostle Paul was inspired to write: "In him are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge." This is a passage which John Calvin expounds in this wise: "There is no real knowledge, no learning, no wisdom, no erudition found elsewhere than in Jesus Christ."

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CHURCH SOCIETIES

We continue the list of societies which have contributed to our Junior College. In the last issue we listed number 60.

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| 61. Holland Dorcas Society,
Holland, Minn. | \$25.00 |
| 62. Harmony Workers Women's Society, Rock Valley
Calvin | 25.00 |
| 63. Hawarden Men's Society | 20.00 |

If any society has been omitted, please inform us.

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AN EXCELLENT GIFT

The Midwest Christian Junior College received a very rare set of the National Geographic Magazine, from Mr. and Mrs. Herbert De Jong, of Sioux Center. The entire set is complete from 1907 to September 1955. Six issues of the magazine are bound together in a beautiful book form and there are altogether 96 such volumes for a total of almost 600 issues of the magazine.

The gathering of this set has a very interesting history. Mr. De Jong became a subscriber to the National Geographic in 1920 and then made a determined effort to complete the set, as far back as he could. He bought some from antique stores, from book stores in Chicago, and others from household sales in the Midwest. Some issues were purchased from a book-binder in Des Moines, Iowa. By 1935, he had the set complete back to the year of 1907. According to information he has received, there is only one other set like it in the Midwest and that is found in Omaha, Nebr. The entire project of collecting this set and having it bound has cost Mr. De Jong about a thousand dollars. We feel that this gift is a very val-

uable asset to our library and we thank Mr. and Mrs. De Jong for their generosity and interest in our college.

Pipestone	\$25,000.00
Holland, Minn.	
Hawarden	
Mountain Lake	
Hospers	
Bigelow	
Hartley	
Ocheyedan	
Le Mars	
Harrison	
Rock Rapids	
Leota	
Edgerton Bethel	
Edgerton I	\$14,351.25
Orange City II	
Orange City I	
Dedicatory	\$3,586.25
Sibley	205.00
Colton	420.00
Sheldon	537.50
Austinville	51.46
Sioux Falls	52.60
Doon	175.67
Ireton	771.00
Rock Valley	2150.00
Worthington	700.00
Hills	778.00
Hull	1850.00
Cal. R. Valley	203.00
Inwood	207.65
Chandler	164.00
Lebanon	1100.00
Sanborn	1400.00

SECOND DRIVE

If the goal of \$25,000 is reached and the balance of the pledge money is received, our building and property, including school furniture, will be paid for in its entirety. Our school property, including grounds, building, school furniture, approximates \$105,000.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

To June 30, 1955

BUILDING FUND**Receipts:**

Received from drives:	
Classis Sioux Center	\$40,154.55
Classis Orange City	9,080.70
Classis Minnesota South	5,566.62
Classis Minnesota North	699.35
Outside these Classis	665.00
Refund on grounds	13.27
Sale of House	1,000.00

Total \$57,596.75

Disbursements:

Grounds	\$14,900.00
Bad check	10.25
Bank Expense	.30
De Stigter Bros.	38,389.48
Balance on hand 6-30-55	4,296.72

Total \$57,596.75

GENERAL FUND

September 1, 1954 to June 30, 1955

Receipts:

Balance 9-1-54	\$ 2,380.12
Library Fund	1,026.54
Offerings	1,946.80
Quotas	5,618.32
Speech remuneration	124.70
Donations	1,179.82
Membership	93.00
Miscellaneous	770.13

\$13,401.43

Disbursements:

Employment	\$ 3,624.50
Postage, Mileage, Supplies,	
Phone	654.11
Adv. Ins. Bank Exp.	845.10
Miscellaneous	420.26
Library account	963.38

\$ 6,507.35

Balance 6-30-55 6,894.08

\$13,401.43

June 30, 1955 to September 30, 1955

BUILDING FUND**Receipts:**

Bal. on Hand 7-1-55	\$ 4,296.72
Classis Sioux Center	12,989.57
Classis Orange City	2,203.00
Classis Minnesota South	562.73
Classis Minnesota North	
Other Classes	119.46
Dedicatory Offering	3,550.50
Loan	15,000.00

\$38,721.98

Disbursements:

De Stigter Bros.	\$32,383.24
School furniture	3,064.31

\$35,447.55

Bal. on Hand 9-30-55 3,274.43

\$38,721.98

GENERAL FUND**Receipts:**

Bal. on Hand 7-1-55	\$ 6,894.08
Offerings	986.50
Quotas	2,334.80
Donations	239.20
Individuals	110.00

For building fund	100.00
Tuition	1,625.50
Students for books	111.90
Membership	5.00
Library Fund	630.99

\$13,037.97

Disbursements:

Employment	\$ 1,788.49
Mileage	54.25
Phone	11.61
Adv. & Propaganda	542.37
Postage, freight	301.73
Supplies	73.60
Building Fund	100.00
Deposit box	4.84
Clear grounds, trees, etc.	22.49
Moving teachers	1,400.64
Bookstore	111.90
Dr. Spoelhof	100.00
Library Fund	690.99
Bank Charges	10.00

\$ 5,212.91

Bal. on hand 9-30-55 7,825.06

\$13,037.97

Stanley Van Vliet, Treasurer
413 6th Ave., Sheldon, Iowa

This financial statement does not include the balance of money owed by the Sioux Center Churches, nor the unpaid pledges. Some of the pledges are not due until next Spring.

Other Gifts

We have received a complete set of The Banner dating from 1944 to the present from Miss Nancy De Bruyn of Hoppers, Iowa.

Mr. Sam Holtrop of Sioux Center donated two large mirrors for the washrooms. Cost \$91.84.

Mr. Maurice Nymeyer of South Holland, Ill. has raised his gift of \$150 to \$300 to be used for maps. We will purchase large wall maps for Bible, American History, and World History with this gift.

We have received a set of Britannica Encyclopedia and other books from Mr. Neal Hulstein of Denver, Colorado.

We thank these people most sincerely for their generosity in remembering the needs of our College.

We Need

A film projector. Costs about	\$500.00
A slide projector	75.00
A tape recorder	200.00

Class Officers

The student body held a meeting and selected the following class officers: Herman Nibbelink, President; Albertus De Vries, Vice-president; Donna Zimmer, Secretary; Gerald De Stigter, Treasurer.

A Student Council was also formed and the following were elected by the student body to serve: Maynard Rozeboom, Harold Mulder, John Wissink, Bernice Geurkink, and Carol Schemper. The work of the Student Council is to present the problems and requests of the student body to the faculty.

**THE JUNIOR COLLEGE
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goodwill is evident throughout the day and in all our meetings.

The following students are enrolled:

Mary Bouma—Teacher training, Hull, Iowa
Arnold Davelaar—Teacher training, Sioux Center, Iowa
Gerald De Stigter—Pre-engineering, Sioux Center
Albertus De Vries—Pre-Seminary, Edgerton, Minn.
Le Roy De Vries—Special, Sioux Center, Iowa
Constance Gesink—Teacher Training, Hoppers, Iowa
Clarice Geels—General College, Ireton, Iowa
Bernice Geurkink—Teacher Training, Baldwin, Wisconsin
Gary Hofland—Pre-Seminary, Sanborn, Iowa
Joyce Kemink—Teacher training, Waupun, Wisconsin
Joan Kemink, Teacher training, Waupun, Wisconsin
Louissa Kooiker—Teacher training, Luverne, Minn.
Elda Kooima—Teacher training, Rock Valley, Iowa
Sebert Kooima—General College, Rock Valley, Iowa
Juna Kusters—Teacher training, Corsica, So. Dak.
Arlin Meyer—General College, Volga, So. Dak.
Harold Mulder—General College, Ireton, Iowa
Herman Nibbelink—General College, Orange City
Ann Noteboom—Teacher training, Kilgore, Nebraska
Donna Rietema—Teacher training, Kanawha, Iowa
Maynard Rozeboom—General College, Harrison, So. Dak.
Esther Runia—Teacher training, Ocheyedan, Iowa
Carol Schemper—Teacher training, Sheldon, Iowa
Cynthia Vaandrager—Teacher training, Sheldon, Iowa
Milton Vander Berg—Special, Sioux Center, Iowa
Helen Vander Lugt—Teacher training, Lebanon, Iowa
Herman Van Donge—Teacher training, Sioux Center, Iowa
Dolores Van Otterloo—Teacher training, Rock Valley, Iowa
Hester Van Otterloo—Teacher training, Rock Valley, Iowa
Gertrude Veldman—Teacher training, Inwood, Iowa
Arlene Verbrugge—Teacher training, Sanborn, Iowa
Barbara Wassenaar—Teacher training, Sioux Center, Iowa
John Wissink—General College, Middleburg, Iowa
Donna Zimmer—Teacher training, Peoria, Iowa
Elizabeth Van Tol—Teacher training, Doon, Iowa

Some of our General College students are planning a four-year teacher training course.

Charter Members

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In the incipient stages of organization a decision was made by The Board to publish the names of all the charter members. In harmony with this decision we began publication in our last issue and continue the last herewith.

CORRECTION: In the last Minn., Herman Mups Jr. should have read Herman should have read Rerman Meyer Jr., and Leo Meer, should be Leo Meyer.

HOLLAND, MINN.

Andrew Baker
Edward Tinklenberg
Gerhart Tinklenberg
Harry Vander Woude
Herman Veltkamp

HOLLAND CENTER.

South Dakota
Albert Stuit

HOSPER, IOWA

Joe Addink
Louis Alons
David D. Bonnema
Cornelia De Bruyn
Bert De Jong
Roy De Jong
Wm. De Weerd
Bert C. Gesink
Frank Klynsmas
John J. Klynsmas
John F. Kreykes
Herbert Peters
Steve Poppema
Peter Pott
Wilton Toering
Mrs. Milton L. Toering
Morris Scholten
Cornelius Vanden Berg
Jack Vanden Berg
Clarence Van Kalsbeek
Gerrit Van Surksun
Gilbert Visser
Ike Woudstra
Ted Woudstra

HULL, IOWA

Ed Berghorst
Bartel Boogerd
James B. Boogerd
Otto Bouma
Harvey Brunsting
Adolph Bylsma
Arie Bylsma
Lambert O. Bouma
Andrew Caswell
Elmer Cuperus
Henry Cuperus
Louis Cuperus
Walter De Boer
Mrs. Alice De Vries
George De Vries, Jr.
Ralph De Vries
A. De Witt
Edward W. Dykstra
David L. Dykstra
Mr. & Mrs. Leroy M. Dykstra

Leonard R. Haan
Cy Hogan

J. Ten Harmsel
Kors Harthoorn
John Haveman
James Heynen
John H. Hubers
Clarence Koele
Ivan Kroese
John Kroese
Mrs. John Kroese
Peter Kroese
Bernard Krommendyk
Fred Krommendyk
Mrs. Fred Krommendyk
Tom Mulder
Dick Oostenink
George Pals
William Pals
Henry Raman
Gerrit H. Roelofs
Peter C. Runia
Peter Rynders
Mr. B. Scholten
Mrs. B. Scholten
Bernard L. Scholten
Ed Scholten
Miss Harriet Beth Scholten

Jan Scholten
John Scholten
Lambert H. Scholten
Mrs. Lambert H. Scholten
Bartle Soodsma
John Soodsma
Peter Soodsma
Mrs. Peter Soodsma, Sr.
Bernard J. Ten Broek
Harvey Van Engen
Henry F. Van Engen
Rev. H. C. Van Deelen
H. Bernard Vande Griend
Jake H. Vande Griend
John A. Vander Ark
Norman B. Vander Ark
Lawrence Vander Haake
John Vander Kooi
C. Van Ginkel
A. Van Otterloo
Henry Van Otterloo
Leonard Van Otterloo
Frank Van Pykeren
Gerrit Van Pykeren
Fred Van Schepen
Theodore E. Vander Spoel
Wm. Van Surksun
Albert Vant Hul
Burt G. Vant Hul
Gerben Vant Hul, Sr.
John Velgersdyk
Henry Vis
D. Waanders
Henry J. Waanders
John Zoerink (?)

IRETON, IOWA

Gilbert Bruxvoort
Mrs. Alice Bylsma
Percy Bylsma
Ted De Jong
Sidney Eisma
C. S. Ekdom
John Ekdom
Stephen A. Ekdom
Andrew Elgersma
James Geels
Lester Landaal
Alvin Mulder
Henry Netten
Ted Riepma

Frank Sinkey
Bert Ter Horst
Lawrence Ter Horst
Geo. Vande Kamp
Hilbert Vande Kamp
F. Vander Stoep
Alfred Van Schepen
John A. Van Zanten
Sam Westra

INWOOD, IOWA

Dick Bakker
Henry E. Blankespoor
Neal Bousma
J. D. Bolkema
Rev. L. Bouma
Dick Bouwman
Seibolt Faber
A. Feenstra
Case Fiekema
P. Folkerts
John Horthoorn
Roger Halma
Richard Kooistra
Peter Meendering
J. H. Van Engen
John Vant Land
Cornie Van Tol
H. Veltman

LEBANON, IOWA

Allen Boeve
Albert Bonnema
Melvin Bonnema
Peter Bonnema
Henry A. Dekkers
John W. Dekkers
Peter Dekkers
Chris Dragstra
Joe Dragstra
Dick Fedders
Peter J. Haverhals, Jr.
Siebert P. Haverhals
Ellis Kooi
George Kooi
John Kooi
Randal Kooi
Mitchell an Berkel
Severt Van Berkel
Gerrit Vander Lugt
John S. Van Der Schaaf
Rev. Peter Vander Weide
Ernest Van Driessen
John H. Van Voorst
Cornie Wynia

LE MARS, IOWA

Rev. P. Hondert
A. G. Vander Mier
Arie J. Van De Meer

LEOTA, MINN.

Reinart Baar
Geo. Beckering
Raymond Beckering
Henry A. Blom
John Bolt
Albert Bouw
Edward Bouw
Gilbert Corbin
Nick De Boer
Peter De Boer
Hemet De Groot
Teunis De Groot
Andrew De Kam
Douwa De Kam
Elbert De Kam
Henry De Kam

John De Kam
Bert Doppenberg
Tony Driesen
Frank Feikema
Gerrit Groen
Klaas Groen
Ben Grootwassink
Fred Gulker
A. J. Gunnink
Frank Gunnink
John Gunnink
Richard Gunnink
Wm. Gunnink
Arie Hamm
Anrew Jongetjes
Gerrit Jongetjes
Mrs. L. Jongetjes
John Kars
John Koedam
Jonas Koedam
Wm. Koedam
Art Koelewyn
Abe Kooiman
Mrs. Herman Kooiman
Peter Kooiman
Dick Kroon
Jake Kroon
Allen Lubben
John Lubben
Tom Lubben
John W. Mouw
William Mouw
Jake Overbeek
John Overbeek, Jr.
Anthony Prins
Gerrit Prins
Peter G. Prins
Peter P. Prins, Jr.
Simon Prins
Paul Ryswyk
Anthony Sas
Dan Sas
Wilbert Sas
Arnold Schaap
Frank Schaap
Harold Schaap
Henry Schaap
John Schaap
Peter Schelhaas
Peter Vander Lugt
Jake Vander Maten
Bert Van Dyk
Lance Van Dyk
Henry W. Van Essen
Henry an Essen, Jr.
Marvin Van Essen
Wm. H. Van Essen
John Van Hulzen
Rev. Peter Van Tuinen
Cornelius Verbrugge
Arie Vis
Henry Vis
John Vis
Andrew Wiersma

LUVERNE, MINN.

Clarence Feikema
Dries Fikse
Ernest Kempema
John W. Kooiker
Benjamin Vander Kooi
Clarence Van Otterloo
Rev. J. Vanden Hoek

MINNEAPOLIS, MINN.

Mr. & Mrs. Edw. Bonnes
Mr. & Mrs. Herman Ledeboer

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